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Letter to Sophia Chase

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R. Ch. 261256
Must have been written
sometime in Dec - W 26

My Dear Wife

Your letter of the 27. th of

Nov. directed to the care of Mr Rip of New York

did not reach me till this evening.

The effect of the supposed intention of my going
home by the way of New Orleans is not surprising
in its effect on my self (when it first came into my

mind as a measure necessary to the prosperity
of our Christian plan about the Seminary) was
the same as on your mind. To think that I

must again and so soon encounter the dangers
of the ocean and suffer the peculiar distresses of
sickness to which I am so liable from the
general current of my frame and cast over
my whole mind an inexplicable gloom.

In altering this plan which I thought necessary
I had no agency. The Divine Providence did the

work by casting me on a bed of sickness, from
which I did not arise till I had time and
friends given me to devise a plan of rousing
the minds of the good people of this City.

So that
I trust your mind long before this is at ease con-
cerning my destination for the winter. That it
may be in some measure concerning your

pecuniary resources necessary to keep the family in
bread. I shall tomorrow place 200 dollars
in the hands of William Jones Esquire.

of this blessed City Phila and a Draft to that
amount signed by yourself on this Gentleman
will most surely be accepted. So said, so done,
I am pleased with your magnanimity in the
case of Mr Thomas' nephew, tho' it is painful to re-
flect on the matter of his being obliged to go away
and I trust to God's mercy in enabling me to get ap-
paratus before I return to Ohio sufficient to teach
the higher branches; and to engage Professors
adequate to the task. A bold stroke has been struck
God grant it need not back inefficacious on our
own heads! What will you say when I tell you
I have written to Lord Penyon to try to persuade
Thomas Hartwell Thorne to come & build up our Col-
lege as to Pupils they will come in from every
quarter already nine more are engaged from Wash-
ington and several from this City I have no doubt
will go. In short I have done tho' God's as-
sistance to forward the interests of the Institution by
staying thus far in Phila than by being in Ohio
I could have done for years.

As to Mr Guyon who wrote you from Nashville
Tennessee I am informed he is one of the best of
men. Ask Mr Spence or Mr May to write him & tell
him all that he wants to know & to salute him
as a man of a noble spirit. He is the author the
piece in the Recorder of the 2^d of December dated at
Nashville. I am very glad to hear of them

meal of you Coffee & Croaker; - every all your
breakfasts be pleasant! -

Most of all I love you for your resignation
to God's will and for your prayers for poor me
at the end of your letter.

I think I have authorized you to draw for 200
(in word) two hundred dollars) on
William Jones Esqr of the Customs
house of this City of Phil^a - I think
I hope you will not fail to do as soon
as may be to supply your wants.

The Rev Mr & Mrs Allen at whose house
I stay and by whom I am so kindly
treated send their love to you Mr Sharrow
Mehring & Fanny.

Tell Mr Sharrow I shall endeavour to do
all that he desires. I have been waiting with
for the box in New York from Good Mr Ward of
Great Horkesley with the Polyglot Bibles &c
to send on with the books, b't in this City
but if they come not tomorrow I shall for
ward them I have to Pitts & Stenberville
to be carried on by the Boys. Your faithful
Mr Morse I hear thro Mr Wright } valfection
is married! in } This P. Chan

~~7827~~
Ms. A. 1. vme
Dec 26

Mrs. Sophie Mc Chase
Washington
Ohio

I have

Pray seal your letters better
put a paper under